

### **Requirement for Information**

Applicant and the assignee of this application are required under 37 CFR 1.105 to provide the following information that the examiner has determined is reasonably necessary to the examination of this application.

In response to this requirement, please provide answers to each of the following interrogatories eliciting factual information:

1. The assignment details of this application at the time of filing and currently.
2. The assignment details of applicant's prior application 11/325,052 at the time filing and currently.
3. Whether the file of applicant's prior application, now U.S. Patent 7263037, contained a reference to this application, S.N. 10/674,882.
4. Whether applicant considers the claims of this application patentable over the claims of S.N. 11/325,052 at time of issue.
5. The differences in scope between the claims of this application and those of U.S. Pat. 7263037, as considered by applicant.
6. Whether applicant considers prior application 11/325052 relevant to the examination of this application.
7. Whether applicant considers this application relevant to the issues in 11/325052.

8. Whether this application contains a reference to the prior application,  
11/325,052.

The applicant is reminded that the reply to this requirement must be made with candor and good faith under 37 CFR 1.56. Where the applicant does not have or cannot readily obtain an item of required information, a statement that the item is unknown or cannot be readily obtained may be accepted as a complete reply to the requirement for that item.

This requirement is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.134, 1.135 and 1.136 and has a shortened statutory period of **TWO months**. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vit W. Miska whose telephone number is 571-272-2108. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Renee Luebke can be reached on 571-272-2009. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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